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City of Las Vegas Policy to implementation Web accessibility standards

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In 1998, Congress amended the Rehabilitation Act to require Federal agencies to make their electronic and information technology accessible to people with disabilities. Section 508 was enacted to eliminate (or at least minimize) barriers in information technology, to make available new opportunities for people with disabilities, and to encourage development of technologies that will help achieve these goals. The law applies to all Federal agencies when they develop, procure, maintain, or use electronic and information technology. Under Section 508 (29 U.S.C. ' 794d), federal government agencies must give disabled employees and members of the public access to information that is comparable to the access available to others.

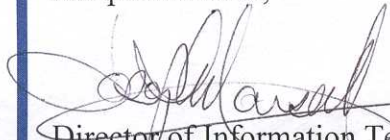
In February 2002, the City of Las Vegas released it's new 3rd generation website to the public. As such, part of the initial design was focused on Section 508 compliance. To date, we have succeeded in completing about 80% of the functionality required to be Section 508 compliant.

Below is a list of those services or features of our website that are not currently Section 508 compliant:

- ArcIMS
- CLVKidsKorner
- Streaming Video
- Video on demand
- Some PDF files are graphic images, not created from text files.

As part of the evolution of the City's website, we will continue to focus on Section 508 compliance. As each of the above components are replaced or re-engineered, it is our intent to have those services or features Section 508 compliant.

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